## LOYAL WOMAN'S WORK

The Household, Conversation Club, Puzzles, etc.

The Happy Household.

CARE OF THE HANDS. Women who work with their hands (and every well-rounded woman should do her complement of handwork) are troubled with roughness of the hands, more or less. The first thing to remember, then, is that cold water is always trying on the Warm water and a soft brush, for both mails and flesh, with little soap, is best for cleaning purposes. Always wipe the hands dry after wash ing, and dust them with a little oatmeal, for which purpose always have a little pot of ontmeal at and. Before retiring wash the hands thoroughly and apply almood paste, after which put on a pair

To make good almond paste, obtain of sweet and bitter almonds each two onnees, pound to a paste, and work up with half an ounce of Windsor soap cut in fine shreds. To this add two drams of spermaceti and half an ounce of oil of almonds; oil of bergamot, 12 drops. Subject to gentle heat, stir well, and cool in china pots.

A mixture of honey, lemon juice and eau de cologne is exceedingly useful to whiten the hands when discolored by sun, wind or work, and may be kept mixed for the purpose in a small toilet jar, Take a wineglassful of each ingredient and mix well; then pour into the jar and keep closely corked. This may be applied night or day, and the inside of the fingers rubbed with pamice stone. BAKED MACABONI.

HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: If Mrs. M. J. Leach will try my recipe for cooking macaroni I think it will prove satisfactory, because I know it to be good, Please try and report. Break the macaroni into inch lengths; put into a saucepan of boiling water with a little salt, and boil until perfectly tender, but not until split or broken; drain well; butter a pudding dish, into which put alternate layers of macuroni and cheese with bits of butter; finish with a layer of cheese and a few spoonfuls of milk or cream, with a little salt. Cover the dish and bake half an hour; brown nicely, and serve in the dish in which it was baked.—"Indianapolis Girl." SOMETHING NEW IN OYSTERS.

An oyster omelet will be relished by those who like both oysters and eggs. Beat six eggs very light and mix them with a half cup of cream, with salt and pepper to taste. If the cream be lacking, milk may be substituted. Put a small tablespoon ful of butter in a hot frying pan, and when it is Kan melted pour in the beaten eggs and cream. Before the eggs are firm put in I8 small oysters, and when the omelet is a delicate brown, fold and serve. The frying pan should be set on a moderate fire, so that the browning process will not be too rapid.

SHELL LACE. Cast on 21 stitches, knit across plain. 1st row-K 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 1, o twice, n, o twice,

2d row-Add 1, k 12, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, o, n, k 1, o, 3d row-K 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 17. 4th row-Add 1, k 19, o. n, k 1, o, n, k 1. 5th row-K 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 1, o twice, n, o twice, n, c twice, n, k 11.
6th row—Add 1, k 14, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, o,

n, k l, o, n, k l,

7th row-K 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 22. 8th row-Add I, k 24, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 1. 9th row-K 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 1, o twice, n, o Iwice, n. o twice, n. o twice, n. k 14. 10th row-Add 1, k 17, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 1. 11th row-K 2, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 13, bind off by

Blipping 14 stitches over tone, k 1. 12th row—Add I, k 15, o, n, k 1, o, n, k 1. Repeat from first row.-Estella Hillman, Winne-Editor's Chat.

"Indianapolis Girl " must send her true name in order to be numbered at Roll Call, and "Joan of Are," " Iowa Wild Rose," in order to have request

No; the request cannot be granted. First learn to write and spell, then write for the newspapers. Katy Moody and Mary Green can secure C. C. TRIBUNE. The badge is of silver, in shape of a shield suspended from a quill pen, which forms the bar pin. On the shield is the monogram " N. T. C. C." and the Club motto, "Pro patria" (for our country).

Cyrus Wick, Lock Box 27, Washington, D. C., gave the only correct answer to the question, What is the plurar of goode, a tailor's implement. Addie, of Missouri: A widow may be addressed

In writing either by her own full name or by that of her deceased husband's, as "Mrs. Sarah Brown," or "Mrs. John Brown." As a woman's own signature is required in all legal papers, it is the edimay continue to write "Mrs. Gen. Jones," or "Mrs.

Sympathy is the charm of the world-that true sympathy which finds expression in doing, not in words alone. We may say that we sympathize with friends in trouble, yet it is the one who spends all night long by the bed side of a sick friend, smoothing the pillows and performing many kindly offices who proves himself the true comforter .dmer Grisson, Pennville, Ind.

Prizes awarded: Bruce Pumphry to Alma Smoot. Washington, D. C., for first answer to "Old Clock Puzzie"; 110 answers received. Mrs. J. W. Roden-baugh, Gladstone. N. J., to Edwin R. Lerch, for arst answer to "The Long Liver," and to Mrs. J. H. Pryor for photograph.

Conversation Club. Rules of the Club.—1. Write briefly. 2. Write only on one side of the paper, 3. Write to the point, 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best. 6. Send answers to all puzzles for use of Editor. Each week the names of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, penmanship and general merit considered—will be named at the head of this column on the Honor Roll. First honor

will include all of these requirements. Second honer will include a deliciency in some one point. No others will be named. HONOR ROLL-BEST LETTERS. Pirst Honor-Bruce L. Smith, Newman, Ill. Second Honor-Nettie Carly, Troy, O.

SEARCHERS AND SOLVERS. William F. Johny, Jersey City, N. J., 8: Lucy Raiser, Rock Island, III, 1; S. T. Erwin, Holland, Pa., 3; Frank Toles, Bolivia, III., 6; Hattie L. Goodsell, Morgan Center, Vi., 7; Capt. Will S., Demyville, Mc., 3; Araline Larison, Loveland, Iowa; Sadic Elliott, Red Bank, N. J., 3; Carrie Fedling, Rockson, M. Fuller, Rockport, Me., 3; Minnie E. Koster, Lyons Faiis, N. Y., 5; Nelia Hampton, Mt. Victory, O., 30; Kittle E. Nolen, Baltimore, Md., 5; Aggie Mc-Cune, Pittsburg, Pa., 1; Ernest E. Lincoln, Hinghum, Mass., 15; Cena C. Poe, Dixon, Ill., 6; Maggie Holbrook, Ocean Grove, N. J.; John P. Mundat, Urbana, O., 1; Mary Decley, Sandusky, O., 4; B. Gienson, Yountsville, Cal., 1; Ida S. Ayres, sestine, Iowa; Iucz M. Humbert, Shannon, Ill. 8; Mande M. Petty, North Dorset, Vt., 5; Lulu Morris, Ashboro, Ind., 4; Frank Wiegand, Bunker Hill, H., 4; Nettie Cady, Troy, O., 12; Nicholas J. Kraft, Grastfork, Ill., 6; Annie L. Marsh, Saugas, Mass., 13; R. Van Winkle, 17; E. M. Tinkham, Springfield, Mass.; May Russell, Rodman, Iowa, 2; Eugene Cole, Ottawa, Kan., 7; Rhoda Daniels, Birmingham, Mich.; Cora Digan, Oconto Falls, Wis.; A. L. Scaman, St. Louis, Mo., 22; L. S.,

THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE PLEDGE. Believing that loyalty to the Union is fidelity to the couse of liberty, equal rights and the elevation of mankind, we do solemaly pledge ourselves to sacredly guard our free institutions and disseminate a knowledge of their great underlying principles in the communities in which we live. And that in all times of peril we will stand by our country and her flag, if need be, with our lines.

Eben P. Miller, Box 263, Pentwater, Mich.; Percy Williams, Bellefontaine, Ind. Total to April 27,

OUR BOLL CALL-GREETINGS. William Eastman, Whitney, Kan.; Olin W. Kennedy, Feesbarg, O.; Gertrude Filiatrean (10), Blin-coe, Ky., daughter, Co. E. 10th Ky.; Ins Edgar (10), ter of veteran, 16th Ohio; Katie E. Moody, Mary E. Green, Eden, Hi., daughters, 77th Ohio; Julia V. Williams, Hawk Eye, Neb.; Grace A. Johnson, Box 66, Benton Harbor, Mich., soldier's niece; Dora Barnet, Crookston, Minn.; Capt. E. Hemenway, Hartford, Mich., wants the hailing sogn, grip, or some sign of welcome from the C. C., Elmer Grisson, Pennville, Ind.; Percy Williams, Bellefoutnine, Ind.; Europe E. Lovejoy, Lelcester, Buss.; Alfred Boutes, Drakeville, Iowa, son, 10th Mo.; Grace Russell, Rodman, Iowa: Elsie Burket (13), Ashland, Kan.; Mamie E. Briggs, Box 114, Gilby, Dak., soldier's daughter. Total to April 27,

THE CHILD IS FATHER OF THE MAN. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: Noting the opinion expressed by several members on the subject of tip-ping the hat or making the bow on the street, I quet as expressive of my own views:

"To touch the hat or, better still, to lift it, when meeting an acquaintance should be taught to every little boy, and soon it will be done mechanically But, in later years, the gentleman must bear to do it gracefully, as itemarks the man who passes a lady friend or acquaintance without this slight ceremony. But it is always the lady's duty to make the first salutation by a graceful inclination of the figure, not a mere awk ward bob of the head, while almost simultaneously the gentleman raises his hat and bows with courtesy. If he meets a lady while walking with a friend to whom he or she bows, as a mark of respect to the sex he should lift his hat and bow with dignity, although he has no acquaistance with the lady," The form above described I consider the most

proper and dignified, and that which in St. Louis is usually observed; but, as the people of the North South, East and West each have their own opinion, they will probably continue to follow the custom of their section of country.-A. L. Seaman,

THANKS OF AN INVALID.

FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: Some of you may remember the "invalid's request" in The National With C. C. Good Tempiars,—Katie E. Moody, Mary E. Green, Eden, III.

kindly responded to, and I received such a fine ac-

scenes of active life can hardly realize how much pleasure even small things give to the poor invalid shut away from the outside world and its many pleasing associations. Letters, photographs, pretty Port Washington, L. I.; Dill Hazlet, Allison, Iowa; deasing associations. Letters, photographs, pretty sictures, cards, or anything that helps to brighten heir weary pathway are prized more highly than words can express or pen describe, and a prayer is breathed to heaven that its choicest blessings may rest on the friends who remember them so kindly,

-Miss Mary F. Boutwell, Box 56, Gaysville, Vt.

A CHAT ABOUT BOOKS. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: Who agrees with me that the best and latest author is the person who writes sensibly and learnedly for our periodicals? Think our own C. C.! As a novel, "David Copperfield" stands first, although Dickens's "Domby and Son" is deep, "Old Curiosity Shop" pathetic and "Nicholas Nickleby" strong in portraying true nobility on one side and Satan himself on the other. As a poetical production, what does the C. C. think of "Lucile"? Poe I like, but when I think of "Quoth the raven, Nevermore! Nevermore!" I think of the shipwreck of that grand intellect, the almost inspired genius of America's most brilliant elfishness when I read "Lenore." Oh! members of the Book Circle and the C. C., think of your influence on your associates. No one mentions Longfellow, I admire his "Evangeline," "Wayside Inn," "Elizabeth," "Hiawatha," etc. Shakspere of "King Lear," "Richard III," etc. Ola M. Mar- 28, Bethany, Ill. "Ivanhoe" and "Kenilworth" are also favorites of mine. I fully agree with Will Wildwood concerning Lord Byron. Think of the rum fiend again, boys. He need not sym-pathize so freely with Burns, when his "Cotar's Saturday Night" and "Tam O'Shanter" made im the idol of his Scottish friends. But before the joy came the sorrow. Can any one read Miss E. Phelps's "Hedged In," and again try to place a

she not give us a sketch of him, a pen-picture if not I believe if R. Van Winkle would bathe his eyes hear more on botanical beauties. Myrtle Randall should be the boys' favorite; she is so sensible. Girls, don't discuss Latin, French and novels too much-talk sense. Men don't like dyspepsia. Will someone give me the positions that Queen Victoria's family occupy? Oh, yes, Frances Wilson; I year, so that in 3,896 years the difference between like George Elfot's "Middlemarch," "Adam the two will be only one day. Bede," "Felix Holt" and "Daniel Deronda," Ob, the simplicity, love and faithfulness of the little Jewish girl! Would like to hear from the C. C. and

B. C. Shall I call again?-F. Hope Staman, Udall, POPULAR EDUCATION A PUBLIC BENEFIT. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: All over this broad United states we have schools, academies, universities and colleges for the express purpose of educational advancement, and yet there are those who so much neglect these opportunities as to be totally unable to prefix their signature to any legal document. In one of the rural school districts of the Empire State, where I was acting as instructor, out of a family of 11 grown persons but three could write

A few days ago I received a letter from a young ady who had attended both common school and academy, which contained eight words that were acorrectly spelled. These are instances that came under my personal observation, and I do not doubt that at least one out of every 10 inhabitants in the rural districts are in the same condition. And now comes the momentous question: How are we to overrule this defect? There is but one way, and it is to arouse an increased interest in educational pursuits among the laboring classes. Unto whom does this duty belong? To this I answer, unto all who have our Nation's welfare at heart. If the unenlightened classes were better in-formed they would be better able to distinguish between right and wrong, and would therefore east their ballot for the right. So, friends, let us hold knowledge within easy grasp of the ignorant, and | and formed the Assyrian Empire. thus advance our Nation's welfare.-W. Elisworth

ANOTHER VIEW OF NAPOLEON. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: All men of genius have een subject to the attacks of critics and enemies. but it seems to me that more abuse has been rained down on the undeserving head of Napoleon than any other. I believe his true history will bear close scrutiny. He was generous to his friends, and ever landges by sending \$1 each to THE NATIONAL ready to reward merit in either civil or military affairs. Raised in a country that almost ignored a God, that believed the only way to honor was by the sword, it is a remarkable fact that as a youth he grew up free from the dissipations of frivolous France, and, a poor boy, made his way to the highest position of honor a people can give-their ove. Napoleon was a man of rare genius. His nilitary achievements were the most brilliant and founded on the best judgment of any known in the world's history. His statesmanship, I believe, if it had not been interrupted by the frequent wars in

the most intelligent and foremost Nation in the All of his wars were caused by the approaches of the crowned heads of Europe, who did not like the idea of a man whose unequaled ability had raised tor's opinion that she should always be thus addressed in writing, although for convenience, where a man has all the individuality in the family, we pose upon the Freuch people a King whom they letested. Napoleon did not fight alone for his own giory, but for France. His last thoughts were with he French people. No, Cyrns, the defeat at Waterloo cannot be blamed to Napoleon. It was danned perfectly, and lind it been excented as di rected, the allied armies would have been destroyed. even as it was, with Quatre-Bras unoccupied by Marshal Ney, if Marshal Gouchy had marehed to the relief of Napoleon, as his Generals entreated him, Waterloo would not have been. When the time shall come that Napoleon is judged by unprejudiced minds, then will his star shine in all the glory of

a new-born day.-Bruce L. Smith, Newman, Ill. CLUB WHISPERS. An explanation is necessary of my absence from the C. C. I left home in March to attend college in Ottawa, and have not seen THE TRIBUNE since I came until yesterday, when I was picased to read again of the C. C. My time is occupied in the study my lessons, but I shall read THE TERBUNE and write now and then to the many C. C. friends, through THE TRIBUNE. I have received instruction and many kind and cheering words. My address is now Ottawa, Franklin Co., Kan,-Eugene

Some one has asked the occupation or chosen occupation of members of the C. C. I will say that ry chosen occupation is school teaching, and I am oing to teach as soon as an opportunity offers. Three cheers for THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE and W. H. Murphy, who wrote the bright little gem, "To the C. C."—Nettie Cady, Troy, O.

I closed a four-months' school not long ago, and m now recreating at home. There has been a law passed in this State which makes it necessary for us to teach the effects of narcoties on the sys tem. I find it difficult, especially as there is no pparatus in our common schools by which to teture to the child's mind the evils resulting rom the use of these poisons. My father at-Davenport last Fall, and enjoyed himself only as those can who have been comrades in the dangers and hardships to which the soldier is subject. What has become of E. C. Nobie? He was a member of the C. C. when I was in the charmed circle of 10.-Cora L. Brown, Mauch Chunk, Iowa. I have been chosen by the "Bachelor's Brotherbood" to keep you and the world informed of what we are doing. To begin with, the "Bachelor's Brotherhood" is an organization organized for the purpose of cultivating the joys of single life. We are all bachelors, ranging in age from 16 to 70. We have seen, time and time again, some youthful gentleman tie himself to some lady and then slave away the rest of his life to support her and keep her supplied with silks and satins. Shame to the fellow who would yield to temptation, paint and face-

powder. To this end we are pledged.-John W. Howe. Ella E. Foster has touched upon a subject which should be very interesting to all our members; whether fashion and beaith can go together. I think that any one can conform to fashion's rules and yet not do anything to endanger their health. However, if any should doubt it, the right and ensible way is to do what is best for the health, Meda Piyapton, I like what you said about novels, you mean only the frothy and "blood and thuner" kind, but such novels as Walter Scott's, Chas, Dickens's, W. M. Thackeray's and Geo. Eliot's, n my opinion, form our taste for literature. - Lorena

B. Adamson, Corning, O.
Are any of the C. C. subscribers to the Youth's Companion; if so, how do you like it? I have read "Jane Eyre," "David Copperfield," and have commenced "Nicholas Nicklehy," Sister says it is splendid. I am going to school to my sister. We walk five miles every day.-Elsie Burket, Ash-

land, Kan. TO EXCHANGE-WANTED.

To Exchange: Accordion for rifle.-Ned Lacy, Box 334. Orange, III. Telephone and 100 feet of wire for musical instrument,—Chas. Wooten, Ken-ton, O. Type and foreign stamps for best offer,— Waiter B. Newgeon, 22 East Pearl street, New Haven, Conn. "Resalie" for "Marching Through Georgia."—Helen G. Houghton, Sprague, Mo. Music for same.—Will H. Shehan, Denneyville, Mc. Magic lantern and views for polyopticon and views, tamps for same.—Lester Hanson, 10 Ash street, Lowell, Mass. Photo outfit for good watch and chain.-E. W. Lambert, Strong, Me. Latin readers and grammar for story books.-Alfred Bowles. concluded to give the following from a book of eti- Drakeville, Iown. Cake maple sugar for V nickel without "cents,"-E. E. Hill, Johnson, Vt. My photo for best postal autograph-Nellie V. Rupel,

Union City, Ind. Postal nutographs exchanged.—Stella E. Rea, Box 39, South Chicago, Iii.; Miss Cad Reynolds, Box 59, Newport, O.; Cass Mitchell, Box 28, Bethany fil.; Irene B. Rea, Box 39, South Chicago, Ill. Of soldiers' wives.—Sarah J. Hoffman, Box 112,

Letters with young men.-Annie Bauer, Box 337, outh Chicago, HI.; Miss J. L. C., Brazil, Ind.; Lulu forris, Asliboro, Ind.; Emily D. Ford, Box 146, ykens, Pa.; Maud Lennox, 136 Dock street, Har-isburg, Pa.; Dena Brown, Bode, Iowa; Ethel, tella, Bertha and Madge, Box 13, Greenup, Ky.; Mamie J. Hilbun, Pollard, Ala.; Nellic Etton, Del-phos, Kan.; Irene B. Rea, Box 39, South Chicago,

Letters with young ladies.-Charles Smith, Cornwallsville, N. Y.; Jesse D. Patterson, Box 69, On-tario, O.; M. C. Guthrie, Box 41, Ontario, O.; Geo. B. Siadden, Box 1001, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Ned Lacy, Box 334, Onarga, 111.; Owen Boster, Moody, O.: Adelbert Lewis, Pawase, Ill.; Sam Lavin, Lykens, Pa.; George Hillman, Box 48, Charles Young, Box 115, Oakwood, Ill.; Stella B. Nixon, Waterford, O.

of the C. C. friends, and of any who may read this. Goodsell, Morgan Center, Vt.; Stella E. Rea, Box | readable little "treatise" about it.

I should be so glad and thankful for them, as they would give me much enjoyment. Those who are blessed with good health and engaged in the busy Lelah Ricksher, Bairfield, Iowa; Will H. Sheahan, Dennyville, Me.; Hattie B. Hicks, Fayetteville

Mamie and Lizzie, Box 45, Kinmundy, Ill.; E. Marie Butler, Augusta, Wis.

Wanted: Alice Milliken to send autograph in exchange for mine; also, address of Jessie, Box 315, Penna.—Nellie V. Rupel, Union City, Ind. "Missouri Lad" and others to know they were not too short, but too sweet; do not want to exchange let-ters with view to matrimony.—Edith E. Miller, Neillsville, Wis, Maggie E. Davis to write us all about the C. C, badge.-Kate E. Moody and Mary E. Green, Eden, Ill. To know the names of the waited for "The Letter that Never Came." Correspondence from Tennessee.-Ella Caldwell, I like best on the stage. Lena D. Whitney spoke of his "Merchant of Venice" as very good, but tame compared with the intricate plots and designs

West Concord, Minn. Correspondence with students of Greek.—Alice A. Buraham, Ellsworth, Me. Letters from Arkansas.—Cass Mitchell, Box

The Curious Corner. [Answers to questions will not be published withn two or three weeks after questions appear. So all will have a chance to send replies and receive honorable mention with the number answered.] The first Spanish settlement of America was made in 1565, French in 1605, English in 1607 and

Dutch 1613 A. D. B. C. 46 Julius Cesar introduced what is known Elizabeth Cleveland's novel. Would like to know more of Ella Phelan's "Norman Boy." (?) Could she not give us a sketch of him. each year on the average 365% days long, while in reality the solar year is 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes and 50 seconds, or 11 minutes and 10 seconds less. This difference between the calendar year with hickory-nut oil scented with oil of acorns, he perhaps might agree with Frances Wilson. Let us Gregory, to equalize the two, ordered that the old Gregory, to equalize the two, ordered that the old 5th of October should be called the 15th, and also that every hundredth year should not be a leap with the year 2000. So 1900 will not be a leap year, but 2000 will. This will equalize the civil and solar

The plural of goose, a tailor's instrument, is geese, according to Monmouth's History of the English Language. Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin admitted in 1803,

The diving-bell was invented in 1538. The English nobility began the use of surnames Coffee and ten were brought to Europe in 1666. Gunpowder came into general use in 1350.

1. What country abolished the Christian religion

inged the calendar and the names of the months? -R. Van Winkle. 2. From whom and for how much was Manhattan Island procured?-Clara B. Rushton, East Ma-3. How many women lawyers are there in the United States?—Carrie Elliott, Red Bank, N. J.

4. What Revolutionary battle did the Americans

ose because of a drunken General?—Elmer J. Gilkison, Reed's Mills, O. . Where did the word Yankee originate ?- W. B. Newgeon, New Haven, Conn. 6. Where was the first woolen factory erected in America?—Libbie E. Rouse, Lakefield, Minn. 7. What great Northern lake was known as 'Lake of the Cats?"-Nelia Hampton, Mount Vic-

BIBLE BRIGADE. Nineveh was founded by Ashur in 2245 B. C. Nemis, in 2059 B. C., united Nineven and Babylon The clothing of the children of Israel did not ness, as related in the fourth chapter of Deuteron-

1. Who drove a nail in the temple of the Captain Jacob's army ?-R. Van Winkle. What woman was sold for a shoe?-Estella Hillman, Winnebago City, Minn. 3. How many Marys were there, and how are they distinguished?—Sarah Bouton, Springfield, Ill. 4. Who was the first Christian martyr, and how did he dic?-James Geddes, Lansing, Mich.

## BRAIN-RACKERS.

(To Contributors: In sending answers name No. of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE in which the puzzle is found. Answers of guessers may be forwarded within a week after receiving this Tribung. Do not make numerical enigmas of your own names. Answers must accompany all puzzies forwarded.] which he was engaged, would have made France ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN TRIBUNE APRIL 12. in emanation (Emma nation). A Weird Charade-Love.

Anagram-Spark, park, ark. Arithmorem-Addison, Milton, Goldsmith, Woleott. Diekens.

Of all sad words of tongue or pen The saddest of these it might have been, CRYPTOGRAM. [To Leonard Martin.] "Tuspohftu njoet bef pgufo niptf pg xipn uif xpsme ifbst mfbtu."-Will H. Sheahan, Dennyville, Me.

MORE TRUTH THAN POETRY. Eht eunj gub ash het dolgne nigw, Het gilhtning bgu eht alfme; Teh dbe gbu sha on gasiw ta lal, Tub eh tges eetrh tsju eht mase -Geo. S. Holben, Six Lakes, Mich.

> WORD TANGLE. I was aues nigsski teak Dan hes was I was ause I was aues eh was em Dan os was ew lal chert was. -John H. Whitten, Charlestown, Mass.

BEHEADINGS. Behead of one mind and leave love of gain, Behead legal and leave terrible. Behead cowardly and leave a large bird, Behead a fruit and leave to rove. Behead a kind of broadsword and leave wrath. Behead to recite by tongue and leave to assemble. Behead a kind of steps and leave a viper. Place words under each other and the beheaded etters will spell the worst foe to temperance,-Ruth G. Pollard, Bridgeton, Mo.

EASY CHARADE. I had my birth at the creation, And now am found in every nation; With lightning speed I fly through space, A blessing to the human race: The good all greet me with delight, While evil hideth from my sight. I'm on the sea as well as on the land; Once I took the form of man. Christians often for me pray, To guide them in the narrow way : They sing of me in sacred verse, My praise resounds o'er all the earth. Now I have told you all so plain, That everyone can guess my name.

—Estelia Hillman, Winnebago City, Minn.

AMERICAN ENIGMA. My 1, 2, 3 is to rend; 4, 5, 6 is a conveyance; 7. 8. 9 is to galu ; 11, 8, 10, 12 is to admire. -Anna V. De Lun, Middlesprite, N. Y.

PRIZE ENIGMA. am composed of 14 letters. My 1, 10, 11, 8, 5 is the edge of a precipice; 13, 6, 3, 9, 14 is the earth; 12. 4. 2. 7 is a boat. My whole is a public structure. Name printed on a pack of visiting cards for first

orrect answer.-John M. Perkins, 90 South street, A UNION GENERAL. I am composed of 12 letters. My 5, 16, 12 is a small bed; 9, 8, 11 are called the Lords of Creation;

6, 2, 7 is a preposition;

3, 8, 4 is a domestic fowl; l is a consonant My whole was a General of the late war. -A. J. Moorbund, New Wilmington, Pa.

Tempting Fate. [Detroit Tribune.]

Insurance agent to agriculturist-Mr. Heysede, don't you want to take out a policy on your life for \$5,000? Agriculturist-Naw, sir; old Jim Bullard took out one of them things las' Summer, and I'll be durned if he didn't die next day.

[Omaha World.] The calendar Spring begins on March 1, the

As to Spring.

astronomical Spring begins several weeks later, the real Spring begins when it gets ready.

A Good Advertisement. A Milwaukee lady who had long been a sufferer from lung troubles and nervous prostra-

tion writes thus: "Husband thinks I am as good an advertisement as you could wish for; he says that I preach Compound Oxygen all the time, and in my improved personal appearance its virtues are very fully tested. It certainly is doing more for me than I could expect, and more than you promised in my case."

There is a large force of ladies who are thus setting forth the merits of Compound Oxygen. Renewed lungs, strengthened nerves, restful nights, restored digestion, and other corresponding blessings cannot be kept from the knowledge of those who see invalids restored. Everybody ought to know about this best of can't carry around a whole drug store, can greation to my collection of beautiful shells, handsome specimens and rare curiosities, I venture to
my least another request, this time asking for photos

Or. Lena Brown, Mauch Chunk, Iowa; Hattie L.

Deters with C. C. M. Ada Edder, Forest City,
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Determine the control of the contr remedies for chronic sufferers. A note to Drs.

Some Practical Suggestions for Our Agricultural Readers.

GOOD BOADS. This is the season when the ordinary road work is performed with a waste of labor which "Engine Thieves": also, if the prisoner of the prison puzzle is still in prison?—Dora Burnett, Croekstown, Minn. The 120 who responded to my easy manner, and without any pretension to Slaughter of Brave Men request for letters to know I am overwhelmed and | effectiveness. The sand and mud which have cannot reply; am small, with brown hair and eyes, been washed from the roadbeds into the ditches and called pretty, though I do not think I am.—

Libbie West, Delphos, Kan. To know if Mamie
Intin has forgotten to send exchange photograph.

Providence

ditches by the first heavy rain, when the soft hink of the shipwreck of that grand intellect, the almost inspired genius of America's most brilliant literary men, and of that flend, Rum; and of woman's literary men, and of that flend, Rum; and the woman's literary men, and of the woman's literary men, and earth becomes a semi-fluid mud. A reform in the NEWS FROM VICKSBURG Pictures of the C. C.; C. B. Rushton, Box 55, East | urgently needed. Perhaps it would be a good Machias, Me. Letters with teachers and young ladies of California.—Alva E. Dowell, Ashton, Mo. and to have a small efficient library attached to and to have a small official library attached to the office, to go from hand to hand as the annual changes are made. It is not to be expected that a plain farmer should know how to build and repair a road, but it is not at all difficult for every one to acquire the knowledge.-New

> WOOL GROWING. A good many farmers who are doubtful of the future profit from wool growing are inquiring about Angora goats and the probable value of their fleeces. We have always insisted upon the wisdom of holding on to the sheep, which are clearly of more value on the farm than any other kind of live stock excepting hens. We would strongly urge farmers who have sheep to keep them, and especially to reyear, excepting every fourth hundredth, beginning | frain from taking goats in place of them. The market for mohair is exceedingly close, only two dealers in the United States handling it to any large extent; while only four manufacturers use it in any considerable quantity. Moreover, the goods made from this fiber are becoming decidedly unpopular and are were formed from the Northwest Territory, follow- being largely displaced by woolen fabrics. ing the ordinance of 1787. Ohio, the first one, was | Goat's flesh is not popular as mutton, although a young kid is often used as lamb without being discovered as such by the consumers. Hence it is scarcely wise just now to discard sheep for the very much inferior goat .- Ex-

CORN PLANTING. In corn-planting time the farmer is worried by many pests. Crows and blackbirds pull up the sprouting seed, and if this is truly done in pursuit of nefarious cut-worms and pestilent simple and effective precautions are ignored and neglected. Seed stirred in just sufficient hot water in which a tablespoonful of tar has been mixed by agitation to coat each grain with a film of the tar will not be attacked by crows or cut-worms or squirrels. We have water, with the result of hastening the germination by two days, and thus lessening the danger of mischief by these pests, and by adding a few drops of carbolic acid to the quart of solution the odor of the seed becomes too offensive for all the common pests combined.

EARLY PLANTS. However desirable it may be to secure early regetables by setting out those started in the hotbed or in the living-room of the home, the work of setting should not be attempted too early in the season. It must be remembered that house or hotbed-grown plants are tender and not susceptible to such a degree of cold as is frequently experienced in the early part of the season. It is therefore safer to omit transplanting until the weather is quite uniform in temperature. Potted plants may be hardened by putting out of doors, and so sooner prepared for transplanting. Earliness of product is governed largely by uninterrupted growth; the Conundrums-1. Noise. 2. Because it would be setting should therefore be so carefully attended to as to prevent any shock to the growth.

> FEEDING CIL MEAL. Farmers frequently feel the want of a food that may be employed in the bringing up of calves with skim-milk, and that will, so to speak, restore it to a full milk condition. Prof. Stewart, who gives ninch attention to the subject of feeding, states that one ounce or less of oil-meal to a gallon of warm sweet whey will make it nearly equal in feeding value to whole milk for raising a calf to three weeks old, and after that another quarter of an ounce may be safely added. The oil meal should be dissolved in hot whey before mixing with that used for feed. About the same quantity could be used with skim-milk, and thus the cream be saved.

- To keep a rooster from crowing very early in the morning, suspend a small lath loosely about 18 inches above the perch.

- To make a corn-crib rat and mouse proof, line it throughout, overhead and all, with wire cloth having meshes so small that these rodents cannot enter. This does not impede the air circulation. - Gypsum, when pure, is useful to many

crops, as is well known, but especially to clover, corn, oats, grass, cabbage, turnips, etc. About 100 pounds per acre are usually applied early in the Spring. - A novel way of exterminating English

sparrows comes to us from a subscriber in Canada: "The best way to get rid of English sparrows is to feed them with bread moistened in whisky. They will be senseless for a few minutes, and can be picked up like apples under a tree."-Exchange. - Experiments in transplanting the beautiful Alpine flower, edelweiss, into the other

mountain ranges of Europe show that the flower changes its character in a new home. In the mountains of Bohemia it has become a new species, bearing red blossoms, instead of the beautiful pure white blooms of Switzerland. - A strawberry grower in Bradford Co., Fla., sold from a quarter of an acre \$272 worth of

strawberries. The only expense to be deducted from that sum were \$12 for commercial fertilizer, and about \$15 for hired labor in mulching and picking-\$27 in all-leaving him \$245 for his own labor, or at the rate of \$980 per acre. - Cattle are frequently troubled with sore feet from standing in filthy stables or muddy yards. To prevent it keep the stable floor and yards dry and clean. To cure the feet wash them with warm water and carbolic soap. Break all blisters and scabs and get a clean raw sur-

face. Then apply carbolated vaseline or cosmo-

Keep the feet dry. are subject. It affects the nerve centers in the | immediate wants, the supply for which had | brain and spinal cord. Give the pigs no feed at | been scattered eastward.

The Drummer Was Well Fixed. [Detroit Free Press.]

one Detroiter of another on the Lansing train the other day.

slowly.

"Well, he's a drummer for a Jefferson-ave. that he hadn't lost a day for 12 years." "He looks the picture of health."

"So he does, but I want to make a bet with ailments." "I'll do it."

They went over and the case was explained | those who witnessed it. The the drammer, who laughed and replied: "Well, I dunno. I carry some troches to | rapidly, and not a breath of air was stirring. throat and a--"

chorus. "Oh, well, what did you expect," he inquired with an injured air. "A man on \$1,200 a year

Sarsaparilla as the best blood medicine-

Bombarding, Digging, and Charging the Rebel Stronghold.

FARRAGUTS ATTACK.

by Official Incompetence.

Siege.

BY WILBER H. WERBER, LATE CO. H, 6TH MICH.



Red. Black and Washita, with their tributaries, taken on the route 10 pieces of artillery and grabs the damage is in no way mollified or les- as well as eastern Texas, covered a vast terri- about 2,000 prisoners, as well as dispersing the regiment for 200 volunteers as sened. Squirrels and chipmunks dig up the tory of rich alluvial soil that was limitless in | Confederate forces. Two weeks later Banks seed and cut-worms sever the tender sprouts. | production. In connection with this the vast and his whole command crossed the Atcha- The Captain and one-half of Co. H immediately It is useless and unreasonable to complain when | wilds of central and western Texas furnished a | falaya to Simmsport and continued down to | ately stepped out, and from the other companies ceaseless supply of cattle and mustangs. The | Pointe Coupee, where, crossing the Mississippi | an equally liberal quantity, so that the number principal supply of salt after the capture of to Bayon Sara on the 23d of May, they two was more than filled, and a good many return-New Orleans was also derived from Petite Anse days later formed a junction with Augur's Di- ed to their companies. It was probably 3 Island, south of New Iberia, on the Teche, | vision in the rear of Port Hudson. some 12 or 15 miles in the gulf swamp.

steeped the seed in a solution of saltpeter in hot | River, and using every means in their power to ' making raids to Madisonville across Lake | the field over which operations were to be car-

replied with a will. The gunners would watch one or two men were seriously injured. magnificent. The deep, hollow rear of the tention, mortars could be heard in contradistinction from all other sounds, and the 13-inch shells, with their burning fuses, passed across the heavens like meteors. The old ship quixered at each discharge of her Dahlgrens, and seemed a mass of fire. The enemy had started bonfires at different points to perfect their aim, and these added materially to the illumination and enhanced the grandeur of the scene. At this juncture the smoke of the guns so enveloped the ship that the pilot called out from the mizzentop that he could not see ahead. The firing from the Hartford was immediately stopped, and not a moment too soon, for the fact was revealed that the ship was running on shore

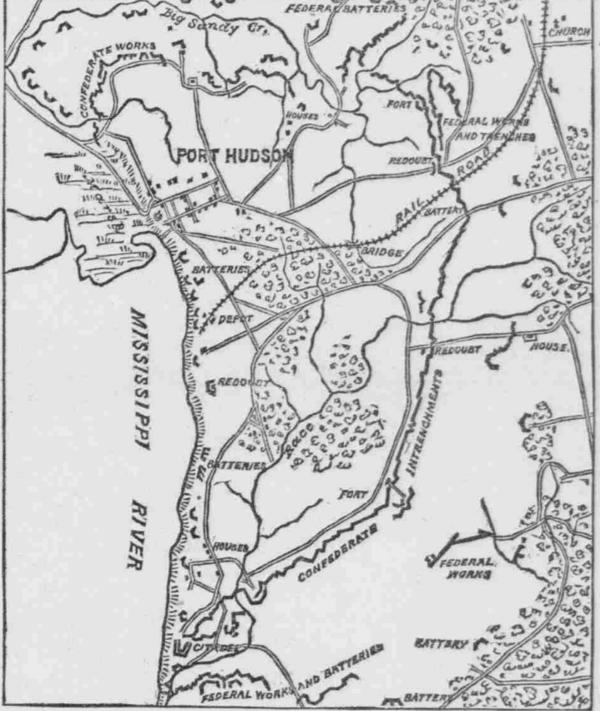
dle of the stream. The Richmond following closely after, and, unaware of the accident. loomed up through the smoke with her bowsprit almost over the Hartford. After this, Farragut deemed it prudent to discontinue firing, and the Hartford forged ahead under full steam and anchored beyond range, having been under fire an hour and 10 minutes. No such success, however, attended the Hartford's consorts. FTER the defeat of The Mississippi had run aground, and had been the Confederate forces | set on fire by her Captain to prevent her falling under Breckinridge at | into the hands of the enemy. The Richmond Baton Rouge, La., Aug. | met with an accident when nearly passed, and 5, 1862, they retreated | all the other vessels had suffered to such an up the river to the extent as to cause their abandonment of the high bluffs of Port attempt to pass the batteries.

RIGHT UNDER THE ENEMY'S GUNS.

Things had not gone well on shore, either, Gen. Banks had advanced in force and driven in the Confederate pickets, but found the defenses too strong and the garrison too well prepared for him to attempt a serious attack. river, as it would be a gut the crossing of supplies by the Confederates great deal nearer rail- grew more and more hazardous, for several of ordered to full back to cold be produced. About 10 o'clock the 6th Mich, were grew more and more hazardous, for several of ordered to fall back to a field completely out of ed Farragut, and

THE RIVER WAS REGULARLY PATROLED. Banks, after withdrawing from Port Hudson, and Texas were the prepared and consolidated Grover's and Emstorehouses from which ory's Divisions, and moved them to Berwick the enemy, at a place partly visible through the greater part of the City, in south Louisiana, with the intention of supplies for the Con- dispersing the Confederate forces under Tay. federate army east of lor, Morton and Sibley, whose headquarters the Missiissppi River | were at Opelousas. By the 12th of April the | their larger guns. The shot and shell were were obtained, and it concentration was so far effected that a forwas necessary to hold | ward movement commenced, striking the enea portion of the river, my at Pattersonville. No persistent resistance including the mouth was made by the enemy, but a continual series of Red River, in order of skirmishes were taking place on the route to shot from 10 to 20 feet overhead. The activity to secure them. The Opelousas and Alexandria, where the army Teche, Atchafalaya, arrived about the 7th of May. Our forces had

By holding this portion of the Mississippi | tion, portions of T. W. Sherman's Division were | necessary to give the reader a description of



THE LINES AROUND PORT HUDSON.

ravines was cut down and trimmed abatis for at least half a mile in the immediate front, most of the timber being confined to the ravines

fields under cultivation. of 1863, and also the accumulation of troops, siege-guns and munitions of war. The build-

THE WORKS AT PORT HUDSON

line mixed with enough acetate of copper (ver- | shut Farragut below, while the batteries of digris) to make the ointment green. Bandage | Vicksburg kept Porter above, so that for sevthe feet, passing a part of it through the cleft. | eral months the Confederates had the free use of the outlet of Red River and unmolested - Staggers are the result of congestion of the | crossing of the Mississippi to the east. To show brain, due to overfeeding. Pigs are more often | their industry and activity during this time overfed than any other animals, and it is the we captured about 2,000 barrels of salt with When we thought we were getting near the

all for 48 hours, but only water; then begin In the early part of March, 1863, Farragut feeding very lightly, and give the food in a and Banks concluded to try the strength of the shallow trough, so that it can be taken up only | works and their garrison. Gen. Banks started on the land expedition and the Admiral moved up the river. It was arranged between them that the latter should run by the batteries while the former attacked the works in the "Do you know that man over there?" asked | rear to create a diversion in favor of the fleet. On the morning of March 14 the fleet assembled below Port Hudson. The fleet consisted of the flagship Hartford, accompanied by the gunboat Albatross; the Richmond, with the house, and I've known him by sight for 15 gunboat Genesee; the Monongahela, with the years. His employer told me the other day guuboat Kineo, and the Mississippi bringing up the rear. About dusk the signal was made with a red lantern displayed cautiously over the stern of the Hartford, for the fleet to fall in satisfied an easy entrance could be made, and if and shrapnel. Such canister never whirred and you. I'll bet you a silk hat he carries rem- line and follow the flagship. A few delays, and edies with him for no less than six different | the Hartford steamed slowly ahead and the ships dropped into line.

The scene was one never to be forgotten by NIGHT WAS CLOSING IN

Leading medical authorities indorse Ayer's bear, but it was put in service as soon as possible. Soon, though it seemed ages, new batteries directions, but although pieces of iron were the direct fire had severely thinned our ranks,

cross subsistence, the war could be prolonged | Pontchartrain from New Orleans, and also up for a much longer time than by permitting its | the Jackson Railroad to Pontchatoula and capture. Gen. Dick Taylor's whole effort | beyond. Augur's Division had been concencomed to divert Gen. Banks from Port Hud- trated at Baton Rouge, and about the 20th of ing the head of the column on his horse, while son, and Gen. Johnson's Gen. Grant from May moved upward to the "Plains," about four Gen. Neal Dow and Lieut.-Col. Bacon placed Vicksburg. For the same reason such desper- miles in the rear of Port Hudson. On the 21st | themselves at the head of the regiment on foot, ate efforts were made to capture the Indianola of May, before Sherman's Division had ar- the 128th N. Y. following closely, leaving the after she ran by the batteries of Vicksburg, | rived, the Confederates made a sortie in force, | 26th Conn. and 15th N. H. to act as support and which finally succeeded. Port Hudson attacking Augur with severity, but were finally As we passed out by the shrubbery, where all was naturally a much stronger place than driven back into their works with a severe loss | was clear, the Confederate guns opened on m Baton Rouge, being broken by deep ravines on both sides. On the 22d and 23d of May with all their severity. The shell and solid packward from the river, above and below, so | Sherman's Division all arrived and took posi- | shot were soon changed to grape. How plainly that a very light earthwork made a strong pro- | tion on Augur's left some four miles from the | we could see the bunches as they rushed forth ection as well as an almost insurmountable river. For two days afterward there seemed from the guns in solid mass, then separate, cirobstacle to the advance of an army. To in- to be an uncertainty of what was to be done, cling, and humming, and whizzing, some of crease the advantage all of the timber in the | which was caused by a large Confederate force | them striking the ground and bouncing over

## THREATENING OUR BEAR.

and lowlands, the high, smooth lands being but finally our cavalry drove off the enemy, and men began to fall, stricken by the deadly shot, on the 24th we slowly closed in around the and among the first was Gen. Sherman, a grape The strengthening of the fortifications con- stronghold. During the day Banks joined shot crushing his leg and killing his horse. tinued through the Winter of 1862 and Spring | Augur on the right, closing the gap to Thomp- | The General lost his leg, and was disabled from son's Creek and the river swamp.

Late in the day of the 25th the advance was

again ordered, but after forming column we rested at ease until after dark. The 6th Mich. was then deployed as a skirmish-line for Sherman's Division, and the advance continued with the utmost caution. All commands were reported down the line in as low a tone of voice as possible. The strangest thing to us in our a dvance was source of nearly all the diseases to which they Port Hudson, and this was in excess of their enemy's works we used still greater caution, crawling on their hands and could begin to hear the tread of the sentries on the earthworks and see the outlines of their forms as they paced to and fro between us and the hazy starlight beyond. There seemed to be no disposition toward alarm amongst them, and quietness reigned supreme, except the barsh voices of the cicadæ. We lay some time watching and listening, whispering our thoughts to each other of what could be done while the enemy lay quietly napping, apparently unconcerned as to our whereabouts. After lying half an hour or more in the ridges of the old field ansorder was whispered down the line to fall back to the timber. It was

A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT to us, as from the condition of things we were

properly supported we could easily hold our | whistled around human ears before, much less timber a volley was fired by some of our own men | were filled with blank nuts and cut scraps of some distance to the left. We distinctly heard | iron. We continued our quickstep, but our the command to fire, and thought we recognized numbers were fast decreasing. Already oneavoid hoarseness. I carry a bottle of cough | An unnatural quiet prevailed on board the roll in a dozen different places and the hurried | were little better off. As we approached nearer medicine to ward off pneumonia. I have a ship. The men were standing at the guns with cries of "Fall in! Fall in! The Yankees are on an enfilading fire from the bastion in front of porous plaster in my grip to put on if I get a sleeves rolled up ready for work, and every- us." The barking of dogs and the commin- the sallyport on our left and from the high lame back. I have some corn salve, a bottle | body was at his post. The pulsations of the gling of voices of all kinds astonished us by ground across the ravine on our right poured of Jamaica ginger, some quinine capsules, a engine and the thump, thump of the screw the suddenness of the change from quiet to into us with merciless severity. Gen. Dow phial of peppermint essence, a box of man- sounded painfully distinct, as the Hartford full life and activity. Our opportunity was and Col. Bacon had by this time disappeared, drake pills, a liver medicine, a garle for sore neared the batteries. The Admiral stood on lost never to be regained. Over 40 days and both disabled. We had now reached near musthe poop-deck, with his immediate staff around | nights of ceaseless vigilance fell to our lot, | ket range. "Good lands!" cried both gentlemen in him, moving about occasionally in that quick, without a complete night's rest during the how vividly memory recalls the continuous active way for which he was so conspicuous. time. We lay upon our arms the remainder of line of dust cut up before us by the first volley Suddenly a rocket darted up into the air on the the night, but at daylight retreated a short dis- of small-arms, so well aimed just short of its right, followed quickly by another, and almost | tance farther back to a piece of woods of mag- | mark. It seemed impossible for human beings immediately after came a sharp discharge from a nolia, beech and oak, that gave us better cover, to cross that limit and live, but on ward we battery in front. Only the Sawyer gun for and about three-fourths of a mile from the continued without waver, the ranks closing in

opened out abreast of the ship, and our guns flying through the air most of the day only for a flash and then blaze away. As the action | The latter part of the day the enemy, either became general the pyrotechnic display was to economize their projectiles or to attract at-

> FIRED BARS OF BAILEOAD IRON of various lengths, which would go swinging around in the air with a terrible, rushing noise. Occasionally a charge of cable chains would come screeching along as though the lower regions were opening up to have a hand in the affair. The variety of noises was very exciting the whole day, in fact the Confederates seemed to be exercising all of their inventive faculties

the greater part of the day. On the morning of the 27th of May the appearance of mounted couriers and the dashing round of staff officers, intimated very plainly that some movement was being arranged. detail was soon made from our regiment for the support of a battery of light artillery at a farm-She was grounded for an instant, but house on the edge of an open field leading diwas pulled off by the Albatross into the mid- rectly up to the fortifications and about a half mile or more distant. The Confederates began to

in that one direction. We remained inactive



RECONNOITERING THE WORKS. realize that a hostile movement was under way, and their general firing was succeeded by After the passage of Port Hudson by Farra- an occasional shot where some effect could be Porter's fleet above Vicksburg gradually join- sight of the enemy and then by the left flank some half a mile to the point selected for forming Sherman's Division. As our regiment was both head of division and first brigade (Newl Dow's), we formed into line about a mile from commenced experimenting on us with some of plainly visible, describing their curves in the air, looking like black, elongated bars, and often deceiving us as to where they would strikeof staff officers and couriers continued, prepar-

ing for an assault. About 1 or 2 o'clock a call was made from the

A "FORLORN HOPE," o'clock when we moved forward into the open While Banks was making his Teche expedifield preparatory to the assault. It will be ried, in order to understand the situation.

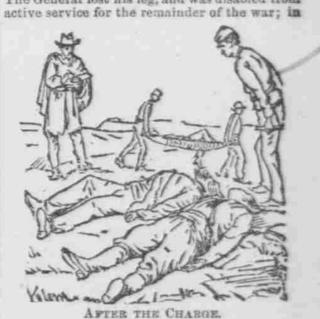
To our right the woods continued up to within half a mile of the fortifications. From near the place where we formed column by regiment a ravine commenced, continuing to grow deeper and larger as it approached the works, so that it would hide a large number of men even a quarter of a mile from the fortifications. The ravine lay between us and the woods on our right, but we were ignorant of the advantages which this ravine afforded of protection until after the assault of the 27th of May. A little over half a mile from the works to the left was a farmhouse, surrounded by large shade trees and shrubbery, owned by a man named Schlater, and who also owned the several fields on our left. On account of similarity of name and our severe loss that day, the men formed the habit of afterward calling it "SLAUGHTER FIELD,"

In front of this house, toward the fortifications, and to the left and right for several miles, all was open field, slightly rolling, and as the space approached the river was crossed by ravines. The line of earthworks had been run to take advantage of all the inequalities of the ground, the timber also having been cut in the ravines near the works, and trimmed so as to cause most obstruction to passage. Less than half a mile to our left, and opposite a sally port, the Second Brigade was forming, headed by the 165th N. Y., also known as 2d Duryes

Zouaves. The Schlater house had been burned the day before by a battery which had been ordered up to counteract the fire of the enemy, and a large portion of the shade trees and shrubbery was badly scorched. At the right of the site of this farmhouse we were halted, and under the personal supervision of Gen. Sherman (T. W.) were given our last instructions. The shot and shell of the enemy were flying all around us in increasing quantity, while the General was invoking the most emphatic curses upon his

ABSENT STAFF OFFICERS, only one of whom was present at this time-Lieut. Wm. S. Trask, Assistant Topographical Engineer. It was often unaccountable how so many men and officers would be suddenly struck with the thought of duties or acts of necessity which required their absence from their commands in time of danger; but so it was, and we grew accustomed to their absence at such times.

There was just room enough between the ravine and shrubbery for our regimental line. The advance was ordered, Gen. Sherman leadus, others crushing through. It was strange how long they seemed to be coming toward us Several times we formed line facing the rear, at the time, and yet it was but momentary. The



fact, he never recovered from the shock of the Our advance was quickened, but the nearer we approached the less chance we saw of saving any of our lives, the zir was so full of destruc-

tion. The GRAPE WAS SUCCEEDED BY CANISTER ground. Soon after we gained the edge of the | plowed the flesh, for a large share of the cases the voice. The intense quiet of midnight was | half of the advance forlorn hope had melted immediately broken by the beating of the long away, and we who were right at their heels